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In early February 1953, approximately 10,000 recruits left Fukien for Northeast China as replacements for the Chinese Communist 20 and 26 Armies, 9 Army Group. These men were part of a group of volunteer recruits who had been concentrated in western Fukien in June 1952 for six months training at the 9 Army Group training center at Yungan (N 25-26, E 117-18) and at other places.<sup>1</sup> In early February 1953, over 10,000 of these men were still in Fukien.

1. Comment. [redacted] in May 1952 the 9 Army Group established a training center in the Shansien (N 26-26, E 117-45) - Yungan - Sangwan (N 26-13, E 117-39) area. Some 20,000 to 30,000 recruits were to be trained at this center and then serve as replacements for the 9 Army Group in Korea.

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Comment. [redacted] indicates the probable withdrawal of the 20 and 26 Armies from Korea.

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[redacted] the withdrawal of the 20 Army from Korea and [redacted] in mid-February it was transferred from Northeast China to the area where it had been stationed prior to its commitment to the Korean war.

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[redacted] the presence of the 60 Division, 20 Army, in Chekiang in late December. This evidence that the 20 Army, at least, is no longer in Northeast China, tends to discredit the movement of replacements for the two armies reported here.

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